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THERMOSET COMPOSITE

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 29, 2002

Sir:

This is an amendment in response to the Final Office Action dated November 29, 2002.

Please enter this amendment and consider the following remarks.

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1, 13, 15, and 16.

1. (Twice Amended) A wood additive thermoset composite for a speaker cabinet, the wood additive thermoset composite comprising:

at least about 50% of wood material having a mesh size between about 20 and about 60 by weight of the composite to dampen vibrational energy from a transducer in the speaker cabinet; and

at least one thermosetting resin material present substantially accounting for the remaining weight of the composite.